

Abstract

An electric power steering apparatus including a rack shaft (21) formed with a first rack (27) meshing with a first pinion (25) connected to a steering  
5 shaft (3) and with a second rack (43) meshing with a second pinion (41) driven by a power assist mechanism, wherein the power assist mechanism includes an electric motor (31) and power transmission means for transmitting a driving force of said electric motor  
10 to the second pinion (41), and the electric motor is disposed substantially in parallel with the rack shaft (21).